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# THE POSITIVE CHRISTIAN SINGLES NEWSLETTER

## APRIL 1993 ACTIVITIES

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| R! Advance reservations required.<br>C! Childcare provided.<br>AM/ PM If time is underlined, children are welcome.<br><br>Activities outside Valdosta may have Valdosta departure times. | | | | 1<br>7:30PM DIVORCE SUPPORT GROUP | 2<br>7PM EAT OR MEET: ZAX | 3<br>7PM<br>MULTI-ETHNIC SINGLES: COVERED DISH PARTY |
| 12:30PM LUNCH: 4<br>SEAFARI<br><br>7PM FELLOWSHIP | 5<br>7:30PM<br>SPIRITUAL ISSUES RAP SESSION: GROWING | MAY 6<br>NEWSLETTER DEADLINE<br>6PM TENNIS OR WALKING<br>7PM VOLLEYBALL<br>8:30PM<br>FOOD & FRIENDS | DAYTIME SINGLES: 7<br>12:15PM LUNCH: RUBY TUESDAY<br>2:15PM BOWLING | 8<br>7:30PM DIVORCE SUPPORT GROUP | 9<br>7PM EAT OR MEET: TACO BELL | 10<br>Our Biggest Monthly Social!<br>8PM C!<br>DANCE:<br>BUNNY HOP |
| 12:30PM LUNCH:11<br>SEAFARI<br><br>2:30PM EASTER EGG HUNT, PICNIC, & FISHING<br>7PM FELLOWSHIP | 12<br>7:30PM<br>BIBLE STUDY: TWELVE STEPS TO WHOLENESS I | 13<br>6PM TENNIS OR WALKING<br>7PM VOLLEYBALL<br>8:30PM<br>FOOD & FRIENDS | DAYTIME SINGLES: 14<br>2:15PM BOWLING | 15<br>7:30PM DIVORCE SUPPORT GROUP: THE CHALLENGE OF BEING A SINGLE DAD | 16<br>7PM EAT OR MEET: PIZZA HUT | 17<br>10AM R! TRIP:<br>MOSSY CREEK BARNYARD FESTIVAL IN PERRY |
| 12:30PM LUNCH:18<br>GOLD PLATE<br><br>7PM FELLOWSHIP | 19<br>7:30PM SINGLES SUPPORT GROUP: A TOOL TO EVALUATE WHETHER YOU HAVE ENOUGH IN COMMON | 20<br>6PM TENNIS OR WALKING<br>7PM VOLLEYBALL<br>8:30PM<br>FOOD & FRIENDS | DAYTIME SINGLES: 21<br>12:15PM LUNCH: SONNY'S BBQ | 22<br>7:30PM DIVORCE SUPPORT GROUP | 23<br>7PM EAT OR MEET: HARDEE'S<br><br>8PM<br>50-PLUS SINGLES DANCE PARTY | 24<br>5PM<br>WITHLACOOCHEE RIVER PARTY & CAMPOUT |
| 12:30PM LUNCH:25<br>GOLD PLATE<br><br>2:30PM<br>NEWSLETTER ASSEMBLY<br>7PM FELLOWSHIP | 26<br>7:30PM WIDOWED SUPPORT GROUP | 27<br>6PM TENNIS OR WALKING<br>7PM VOLLEYBALL<br>8:30PM<br>FOOD & FRIENDS | DAYTIME SINGLES: 28<br>2:15PM BOWLING | 29<br>7:30PM DIVORCE SUPPORT GROUP | 30<br>7PM EAT OR MEET: SONNY'S BBQ | |

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY! 1** Terry Baker **2** Susie Goldsmith **4** Harry Gray **6** Edgar Smith **7** Dottie Long **8** Joan Kight, Brian Ferguson **12** Reuben Clements, Kristi Craiger, Emory Simmons **14** Dean Hatcher **18** Louise Brite **19** Donny Collins **20** Jean Gianino **21** Ralph Murphine **24** Bob Woosley, Ralph Penny **25** Martha Rineer Harrell, Gene Joiner **26** Sue Lindsey, Martha Moore **28** Randy Cole **29** Alice King. Note: If your April birthday has been omitted, call Idelle Dear by 4/6. We'll print a belated birthday list each month until we have everyone's birthday. **HAPPY BELATED BIRTHDAY! 3/16** Betty Adkins.

## LEADERSHIP

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DANCE.....Dottie Long.....247-4237
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REFRESHMENTS.....Remonda Stephens...559-7258
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SINGLES NIGHT OUT.....
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TENNIS.....James Smith.....244-7599
TRIPS.....
VOLLEYBALL.....Linda Anderson.....
WALKING.....

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DIVORCE SUPPORT GROUP.....
PERSONAL GROWTH SUPPORT GROUP..
SINGLES SUPPORT GROUP.....Bobbie Croft.....244-0903
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WIDOWED SUPPORT GROUP.....

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CARE.....
PRAYER CHAIN LEADER.....Jackie Harris.....242-9883

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**Dear Single Friend,**
If this is your first copy of our PCS newsletter, let us introduce ourselves. Positive Christian Singles is a network of over 1000 South Georgia and North Florida singles of all ages and ethnic backgrounds who attend one of many different churches or none at all. We are a self-supporting organization with no dues which is run entirely by volunteers and depends on contributions to cover expenses. Our wish is to provide you the opportunity to make new friends and have fun, fellowship, and personal growth. All singles--separated, divorced, widowed, or never married--are welcome to attend all activities; children are welcome at many activities. Just come join us! You may not find what you are looking for in your first visit but, if you give us a chance, you probably will; each one of us has been in your place. If you need more information or if you are just lonely and would like a friendly ear, please call one of the volunteers above. To get on our monthly newsletter mailing list, call 912-242-3797 or write us.

**"I CAME THAT THEY MAY HAVE AND ENJOY LIFE, AND HAVE IT IN ABUNDANCE--TO THE FULL, TILL IT OVERFLOWS."** (JOHN 10:10) from THE AMPLIFIED NEW TESTAMENT

This spring promises to be exciting since we have an abundance of new people who have started coming and warm weather motivates many more to participate. We have started back with **Volleyball;** how wonderful it is to play and have fun again! **Food & Friends** which we've just started has attracted also singles who haven't come to Volleyball so it will indeed be a good place to get out and meet other singles during the week. Some of you may not be aware that every Thursday night after **Divorce Support Group** a bunch of us goes to Shoney's on Ashley St. for chatting and refreshments. We usually arrive about 9:15PM and, of course, everyone is welcome to join us; just ask the cashier for our table. Often also on Monday nights after **Rap Session, Bible Study,** or **Singles Support Group** several will meet at Shoney's afterwards.

This month we'll be starting an excellent new **Bible Study** from Serendipity called 12 Steps: The Path to Wholeness. In it we'll gain an understanding of the spiritual foundation of Twelve Step programs and explore each of the 12 steps through the eyes of Christian faith. It will be helpful to anyone who is struggling with an obsessive or addictive behavior or other emotional or spiritual problem; anyone who wants to learn more about Twelve Step programs; or anyone who simply wants to further their spiritual and emotional growth.

Be sure to come to our annual Easter picnic at Grassy Pond. This is a delightful time for children and adults and the kids especially enjoy the Easter egg hunt. And by all means, don't miss the **Bunny Hop Dance** the night before! We expect a large turnout since March's Dance was eliminated by the storm (no electricity).

We've begun participating in a program with **DATELINE,** America's largest low cost dating service with 24,000 members now. A pink application form is included with this newsletter. We will act as forwarding agents and receive a fee from them for anyone who joins (whether or not they're from PCS). This fee will go to help support the cost of the **Newsletter.** The owner of **DATELINE** has generously given us 30 free memberships for ladies to use as door prizes at our **Dance.** We'll give them away at the next 3 Dances beginning with the Bunny Hop. Each one is a $27 value! Come to all the Dances to get a good chance to win!

It was both a big disappointment and a financial setback that we couldn't have the March **Dance** due to the storm. The Dance usually contributes from $8-$180 (depending on attendance and expenses) towards the $420 needed just to print and pay the postage on the **Newsletter.** We owe a BIG thank you to Guy Sims this month for making up our extraordinary shortage. Many thanks to our other contributors and, if you can't volunteer to help in any other way, this is a much needed area of assistance--being a regular financial contributor.

So many singles have busy schedules. Determine to treat yourself this month. Come to a Dance or Party, go on the Trip, come camping, or just come play or hang out at Volleyball and enjoy the spring air. Enjoy life!

With love for you and the abundant life, Idelle

**HIGHLIGHTS OF LAST MONTH AND SPECIAL THANKS TO:**

**FEBRUARY NEWSLETTER** Pat Hesters, Guy Sims, Retha Perry, Cheryl Jones, Jean Brantley, Mary Beth Crawford, Cheryl Sapp, and Faye Carter for assembling in record time for such a small group thanks to their efforts and the electric staplers Guy Sims donated. Thanks Shelba Harrington for calling to remind people to come help.

**FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTIONS** Bette Miller, Carol Doxey, Ralph Murphine, Lena Ingram, Pat Towey, Mimi Parks, Jerry Watson, Betty Williams, Norm Davis (copies at Exotic Gardens), and Guy Sims, without all of whom we wouldn't have this newsletter.

**TRIP PLANNING MEETING** Guy Sims and Pat Hesters who have come up with an exciting lineup of future adventures. Carolyn Beall who acts as our contact person for trip reservations and to find out who is going.

**PARTY PLANNING MEETING** Tom Gillenwater, Shelba Harrington, Mary Sherrod, Frank Brooks, Pat Hesters, and James Smith for putting together a fun program for the next three months.

**50-PLUS SINGLES DANCE PARTY** Notwithstanding a last minute location change, we had a good turnout and many new faces--especially a carload from Blackshear. From what we hear, it is our expectation that this dance will continue to grow as more find out about it. Thanks Arcey Leggett, Sanford Luke, Ralph Murphine, and James Smith for helping set up and clean up; Leona Register, Winnie George, and Minnie Padgett for bringing goodies; and Winnie George for providing the stereo.

**RAP SESSION** Bill Gooch for an enlightening program on the dynamics of Christian love.

**VOLLEYBALL** Randy Holcomb for helping us get started again and making volleyball even more enjoyable by bringing music.

**MULTI-ETHNIC SINGLES COVERED DISH PARTY** Pat Hesters for hosting a wonderful time. We had great food and fellowship and got to see Donnie Lee dance; he aspires to become a professional video dancer.

**BIBLE STUDY** Bennie Mitcham for hosting and getting our new books.

**DIVORCE SUPPORT GROUP** Bobbie Masters for bringing us a very informative program on coping with stress.

**DANCES & PARTIES** Toni Ybarra for labeling the songs on 2 dance music tapes.

**50'S-60'S DANCE** First Dance that had to be cancelled (due to the storm) since we began having them July 23, 1988. There was no electricity and many told us they wouldn't travel in or they couldn't come due to no water or electricity at home.

**MACLAY STATE GARDENS** Pat Towey for bringing canoes; Guy Sims for bringing van; however, no one went from Valdosta--cold!

**CONGRATULATIONS AND BEST WISHES TO:** Kimberly Rowe and Shane Dular, PCS Couple #27, who met at Volleyball in July 1990 and will be getting married April 17, 1993. They are the 6th couple who have met at Volleyball. Congratulations also to Beth Jarvis, Shane's mom, who brought him with her to Volleyball. Marilyn Smith who earned an A.A. from VSC. Dottie Long who passed her insurance exam and is a licensed agent with Liberty National.

**GREETINGS FROM:** John Kelley in Pasadena, Texas; he'll be coming back here for a visit in May or June.

**SPEEDY RECOVERY TO:** Bobbie Croft who is recovering from surgery and Wendy Hart who is undergoing therapy for his broken arm.

**OUR SYMPATHY TO:** Coretha Smith whose dad died and Marilyn Smith whose mom died and Eleanora Jackson whose twin grandchildren died. Ashley Donahue whose house burned as a result of an electrical short due to a tree falling on wires during the storm. He kept only his clothes and had no insurance. Painting and carpentry assistance for redoing the interior and contributions of linens, etc. would be sincerely appreciated. He can be reached at 912-244-4871 or 912-247-0335.

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**LOST AND FOUND:** Would whoever borrowed the book Starting Over or Help for the Younger Widow or Widower please return it.

**SEND SOME CHEER!** If you know of anyone who has a special need or of an occasion where a personal touch would be appropriate, please contact the leader of the activity they frequent--until we get a new Care Chair.

**IF YOU NEED:**
**PRAYER** Call Jackie Harris at 912-242-9883 to start our very effective prayer chain going for you. Many answered prayers!
**MENTAL HEALTH 24-HOUR CRISIS PHONES** 912-244-4357 (Greenleaf Center) or 912-333-5175 (LODAC). Free services.
**12-STEP SUPPORT GROUPS** Alcoholics, Narcotics, or Overeaters Anonymous; Al-Anon or Alateen (for families of chemical dependents); ACOA (codependency recovery). All are free. Info: Sue Stokes 912-242-6194.
**VICTIMS SUPPORT GROUPS** For victims of sexual abuse, rape/date rape, and spousal abuse; for families of victims of sexual abuse, rape, or homicide. Free. Professional leaders. Free childcare. Info: Valorie Sherer 912-242-9991. Georgians for Victim Justice. Pam Lightsey 912-244-4942.
**WIDOWED SUPPORT** Virginia Hancock 912-242-1883; Ralph Murphine 912-244-0175; Joanne Tipps (young with young children) 912-455-2117; Mae Pope (Survivor's Support Group, 6PM, 3rd Tuesdays, informative speakers) 912-244-6925.

**RIDES NEEDED TO ACTIVITIES:** From Hwy 41S near Dasher to Volleyball.

**WE NEED:** Portable stereo system with phonograph/dual cassette player/CD player or changer. Country and modern dance music cassettes, records, or CD's. Someone with a word processor or memory typewriter to retype a bibliography and a guide for our grief recovery videotapes. Leaders for **Singles Night Out** (Friday night bowling, dining out, movies, etc.), **Parties & Outdoor Recreation, Care, Bible Study, Rap Session, Walking, Trips,** and **Food & Friends.**

**MISSING NEWSLETTERS, ADDRESS CHANGES, AND MAILING LIST POLICIES:** Newsletters are mailed free to areawide singles. Our cost is about $7 per year per newsletter. Call Idelle Dear if you don't receive yours. To help us minimize expenses, call ahead about an address change (saves 35¢-$1.01), if you're getting married, or if you don't wish or need to receive a newsletter anymore. If you move over 90 miles from Valdosta, you'll automatically be removed from the mailing list unless you ask to remain on it. **PAID SUBSCRIPTIONS:** If you live over 90 miles from Valdosta or have been a Positive Christian Couple for a year or moved over 90 miles away over a year ago (unless you're a companion organization or you have been in PCS leadership, an advertiser, or a financial contributor within the last year), to be on the mailing list costs $7 per year and entitles you to one free admission per year to our Dance or 50-Plus Singles Dance Party. Subscriptions can be renewed by sending a check to PCS by the 15th of the month following the expiration notice.

**WELCOME NEW PARTICIPANTS! ADEL** Lillian Howell **ALMA** Merlene Williamson **ASHBURN** Posey Shealy **BLACKSHEAR** Ruby Pittman (welcome back!), Dale Everett, Elouise Cox, Jeanne Taylor, & Latrell Baggs **DOERUN** Jean Daly **ENIGMA** Virgil Melton **FUNSTON** Gene Potts **HAHIRA** Fran Lofton, & Clytie Harnage **LAKELAND** Joyce Hart (welcome back!), JP Hand (welcome back!), and Glynn Williams **LAKE PARK** Sue Alexander, Linda Lashley, Carolyn Hightower, & Jerry Winningham **PANAMA CITY** Linda Fuller **RAY CITY** Frank Kobes **SYCAMORE** Ella Ward **TIFTON** Gene Bowers, & Marjy Dove **VALDOSTA** Jo Fritz, Louise Brite, Michael Forrest, Mary Beckham, Betty Williams, John Dennis, Jerry Watson, Jean Brantley, & Faye Carter.
**POSITIVE CHRISTIAN COUPLES (PCC)** (Those who wish to remain active after marriage.) None this month.

**PARTICIPANTS FROM YOUR COMMUNITY: GREENVILLE** Mary Sherrod, Traci Mickel, & Zelda Malone **LAMONT** Myra Sever **MADISON** WH Thigpen, Mary Buchanan, Guy Sims, Pat Blair, Jean Gianino, Eneida Crider, Agnes Studstill, Vincent Palhof, Billy Stevens, Bill Sheffield, Mike Reader, Louella Thompson, and Betty Blair **MONTICELLO** Roy Gilmore **PERRY** Vera Hibbetts, Eleanor Connell, Geroma Methvin, and Lorine Williams **PINETTA** Helen Drechsler, PCC Grace & John Hilton, Richard Hollingsworth, William Fourakres, Esperanza Robles, Vicky Hill, & James Walker **TALLAHASSEE** Nancy Bevan, Carolyn McLeod, Pat Towey, Marilyn Burgin, & Marsha Tatum.

**A MOMENT OF REFLECTION BY DR. BILL GOOCH:** Every moment we have is a very special point in time. For each moment of our life is a not-to-be-repeated time, a time of choice, a time when God's Grace can strike. What is Grace? Grace is God's life-transforming gift of his favor to those who do not deserve it. The only thing is we have to have the eyes of faith to know when we are standing in a "Grace full" moment. So keep your eyes open. It will happen to you. Bill 912-242-7830

**WHEN ARE CHILDREN WELCOME?** If the time an activity begins is underlined, as for example "6PM", children are welcome either to participate with the adults or to play nearby. Which of these depends on the nature of the activity. If the time is not underlined, children's presence is not advisable due to the adult nature of the activity.

## APRIL WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

SUN **LUNCH** 12:30PM Join us for friendly, lively conversation. Ask cashier where our table is; get table for 6 if you're the first there. **4/4 & 4/11** Seafari, 1515 N. Ashley St., Valdosta. Country buffet. $6. **4/18 & 4/25** Gold Plate, 1104 S. Patterson St., Valdosta. Table reserved in Gold Room. Menu or buffet. Southern cooking.
**FELLOWSHIP** 7PM-9PM Western Sizzlin' Restaurant, 907 N. Ashley St., Valdosta. 25-50 enjoy dinner or just tea & talk!

TUE **TENNIS** 6PM McKey Park, Burton St. off Patterson St., south of Valdosta Jr. HS. Beginners, experts, all ages, all abilities--everyone is welcome! Call James Smith to guarantee someone to play with and how to find our court.
**WALKING** 6PM McKey Park (see Tennis). Meet at picnic shelter by volleyball court to go walking nearby for exercise and fresh air. (Note: This is new and so far no one has shown up although an interest has been expressed. We'll try it another two months. If you don't find anyone there and wish to have it continued beyond May, call Idelle Dear.)
**VOLLEYBALL** 7PM McKey Park (see Tennis). The "in" place for younger singles on Tuesday night! Join us for fun, exercise, excitement, and friendly competition. Novices welcome--we train! Nonplayers can socialize in the picnic

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shelter. Older kids may play; playground for younger ones. Ideal activity for single parents! If it rains, go later to Food & Friends. Volleyball is FUN! Newcomers note: It's difficult to make friends during volleyball since old-timers are usually engrossed in the game and may be shy; others may also be new. It's also hard in the picnic shelter since many are shy or also new. That's why we have Food & Friends after volleyball. And don't wait for or expect an invitation from anyone; it may not come. Just go! Soon you too will be one of the included old-timers and hopefully you will make an effort to reach out to and involve newcomers.

**FOOD & FRIENDS** 8:30PM Wooden Nickel Pub, 5 Points, Valdosta. Whether or not you were at volleyball, tennis, or walking, join us for dinner or just refreshments, making new friends, and enjoying present friends. A mid-week treat! Ask cashier where our table is.

WED **DAYTIME SINGLES: BOWLING** 2:15PM Jac's Lanes, 406 Connell Rd., Valdosta. Join seniors from Craig Center who bowl weekly. All ages and observers welcome. $2 for 3 games including shoes.

THU **DIVORCE SUPPORT GROUP** 7:30PM Oak Terrace Apts. Clubhouse, 1639 E. Park Ave., Valdosta. PARK AWAY FROM APARTMENTS! If you're separated or divorced, our discussions can be helpful. Our overriding aim is healing and personal growth through mutual support and encouragement. A favorite feature: hugs! Monthly speaker meetings are described below.

FRI **EAT OR MEET** 7PM Eat and/or just go to meet other singles to go to movies, bowling, dancing, etc. together later. Ask cashier for our table. **4/2** Zax, 1211 Baytree Rd., Valdosta. **4/9** Taco Bell, 2918 N. Ashley St., Valdosta. **4/16** Pizza Hut, 3024 N. Ashley St., Valdosta. **4/23** Hardee's, 2901 N. Ashley St., Valdosta. **4/30** Sonny's Real Pit Bar-B-Q, 2037 N. Ashley St., Valdosta.

## APRIL UNIQUE ACTIVITIES

**MEMORY AID:** (Usually) **MONDAYS** 1st--Rap Session; 2nd--Bible Study; 3rd--Singles Support Group; 4th--Widowed Support Group **WEDNESDAYS** 1st & 3rd--Daytime Singles Lunch **FRIDAYS** 4th--50-Plus Singles Dance Party **SATURDAYS** 1st--Multi-ethnic Singles; 2nd--Dance; 3rd--Trip; 4th--Parties & Outdoor Recreation; 5th--Longer Trip.

SAT 3 **MULTI-ETHNIC SINGLES: COVERED DISH PARTY** 7PM The Commons Apts., Hwy 94, ¼ mile west of I-75 Exit 5. Upstairs in clubhouse. Bring a covered dish to share, games to play, music for dancing, and all your friends! Drinks and paper goods provided. Adults $1; children under 12 50¢. If you can't cook, bring something from the deli. Multi-ethnic means Blacks, Whites, Hispanics, Orientals, etc.--all are encouraged to come! Your opportunity to experience and enjoy cultural diversity.

MON 5 **SPIRITUAL ISSUES RAP SESSION: GROWING** 7:30PM Oak Terrace Apts. Clubhouse, 1639 E. Park Ave., Valdosta. PARK AWAY FROM APARTMENTS! Margaret Miller, who has been experiencing intensive Christian growth, along with many of the attendant challenges, pitfalls, and joys, will lead us in sharing and learning from each other. Discover others are going through the same thing you are; how to avoid pitfalls; and how to hold fast to your faith in the meantime. Margaret is a primary teacher at Clyattville Elementary; has a BS and MS in Early Childhood Education from VSC; and enjoys reading and camping. She has a warm and caring personality you will enjoy!

TUE 6 **MAY NEWSLETTER INPUT DEADLINE** If you wish to host or sponsor an activity, call Idelle Dear by today to get it on the calendar. This may include bowling, dancing, dining, skating, a party at your house, etc. Also submit items for publication by today to enable timely mailing.

WED 7 **DAYTIME SINGLES: LUNCH** 12:15PM Ruby Tuesday, Valdosta Mall. Salads, sandwiches, and specialty items. Salad bar. Ask cashier for our table. Join us for your lunch hour or a leisurely lunch or coffee with friends.

SAT 10 **DANCE: BUNNY HOP** 8PM American Legion Pool Clubhouse, Valdosta. From Hwy 41N, take Inner Perimeter Road east 1 block to Country Club Rd.; turn left; go 100 yards to barber shop; turn right. Clubhouse phone: 912-245-8536. Dress like a rabbit; carrots and carrot juice served; no walking allowed--just hopping. JUST KIDDING! But we will do the Bunny Hop at least once! Dress casually in spring colors (in human clothes!). We have some fun surprises planned and some we'll tell you about now. We'll be giving away lots of door prizes! We'll give away meals for two donated by local merchants and, for the ladies, 10 FREE memberships to Dateline, America's largest low cost dating service with 24,000 members now. See the pink insert in this newsletter. The 3-month memberships we'll give away have a $27 value! Remonda Stephens will lead us in celebrating April birthdays and our guest DJ will play all your romantic dance favorites including country, 50's-60's, and modern hits. Want a good opportunity to meet someone special? With so many singles who come (and always new ones), you have a good chance at the Dance. While looking, enjoy dancing and chatting with special friends you already know. This is the BIGGEST and BEST party we have all month! $6 admission includes refreshments. FREE CHILDCARE: Trinity Presbyterian Church, corner of Bemiss Rd. & N. Oak St. Extension. Debra, a Christian mother with 5 children who the kids like, has agreed to become our regular Dance sitter. **5PM** Come help hang decorations and set up tables, chairs, etc. (Note: Sorry, but due to a risk of increased expense, we had to increase admission by 50¢ to cover at least part of the extra cost; details at the Dance.)

SUN 11 **EASTER EGG HUNT, PICNIC, & FISHING** 2:30PM Grassy Pond Recreation Facility. At I-75 Exit 2, take Hwy 376 west 1 mile to Loch Laurel Rd.; turn left; follow signs. Find our picnic table with the PCS banner. Bring white, colored, and prize eggs, picnic dish to share, fishing gear, etc. Fish from docks or rented boats. Snack and bait counter, paddle boats for rent, ducks to feed, and 3-mile nature trail. Be sure to invite those without family here to celebrate Easter, nature, and spring with us! Drinks and paper goods provided. Adults $1; children under 12 50¢. If you can't cook, bring something from the deli. If we have enough interest, we'll also play volleyball! Annual repeat of a popular outing! The children love it! PS. Single moms, the dads will teach your kids to fish.

MON 12 **BIBLE STUDY: 12 STEPS TO WHOLENESS I** 7:30PM Benny Mitcham's office, 1101 Williams St., Valdosta. 912-245-1312. This session's goal is to understand the origins and nature of the Twelve Step program which is based on sound spiritual principles and has enabled hundreds of thousands to remain free of addictive behavior. An addiction is any self-defeating behavior that a person cannot stop despite its adverse consequences. More widespread addictions include: being responsible, being needed, success, work, caffeine, nicotine, television, religion, relationships, sex, food, sugar, shopping, sports, plastic surgery, rage, jogging, stock market, pornography, power, gambling, flying on commercial airlines, men (or women) who are unavailable, romance, illicit drugs, alcohol, and prescription drugs. We are using the Serendipity Support Group Bible Study book, 12 Steps: The Path to Wholeness. While we will study from a Christian perspective, no church commitment or background is assumed or necessary.

THU 15 **DIVORCE SUPPORT GROUP: THE CHALLENGE OF BEING A SINGLE DAD** 7:30PM Oak Terrace Apts. Clubhouse, 1639 E. Park Ave., Valdosta. PARK AWAY FROM APARTMENTS! From being faced with discrimination in the courts and in society to unique dating concerns, we will devote this session to airing the grievances and concerns of single dads along with the sharing of ideas for coping--from single dads AND single moms AND former parents. So, everyone come! This session is Earl Daniels' brainchild; he will be our facilitator.

SAT 17 **TRIP: MOSSY CREEK BARNYARD FESTIVAL IN PERRY** 10AM Carpool from Arby's end of Bud's parking lot at I-75 Exit 5. Call Carolyn Beall (mornings only) by 4/14 if you wish to meet us there or guarantee carpool seat. Guy Sims will drive van and bring cold drinks. This award winning festival is 3 miles east of I-75 Exit 43A. Estimated arrival: 12:30PM. Children will enjoy mule and wagon rides, petting zoo, storytelling, magic show, more. Live entertainment all day: clogging, mountain music, folk singing, ragtime piano, more. Ole Timers' demonstrations: rug hooking, lace making, sheep shearing, wood turning, more. Nationally acclaimed artists & craftsmen: carving, pottery, doll making, wheat weaving, more. Buy country cooking or bring a picnic lunch. Admission: $4 adults; $1 children under 12. Depart for Valdosta 5PM. Named 1 of Top 20 Events in Southeast. Sure to be a wonderful trip!

MON 19 **SINGLES SUPPORT GROUP: A TOOL TO EVALUATE WHETHER YOU HAVE ENOUGH IN COMMON** 7:30PM Spring Chase Apts. Clubhouse, Norman Dr., ¼ mile south of Red Lobster, I-75 Exit 5. PARK AWAY FROM APARTMENTS! Find out what a true mate is and get a valuable, extensive evaluation guide which will help you make relationship commitment decisions rationally in addition to emotionally and physically. The guide can be used to establish a foundation for good communication in a marriage. We'll practise using it at the meeting. A proven relationship success tool!

WED 21 **DAYTIME SINGLES: LUNCH** 12:15PM Sonny's Real Pit Bar-B-Q, 2037 N. Ashley St., Valdosta. Salad bar. Join us for a hearty midweek treat! Ask cashier for our table.

FRI 23 **50-PLUS SINGLES DANCE PARTY** 8PM Craig Center, 1104 W. Gordon St., Valdosta. From N. Patterson St., go west on Gordon about 1.2 miles; Craig Center is on right just before reaching Melody Lane. Enjoy *dancing* to country, big band, ballroom, 50's-60's, modern dance favorites, and perhaps a simple square dance or two. We welcome your bringing your own favorite tapes or albums for us to play. Nondancers can socialize or learn to dance--we teach! Bring all your friends (especially men). Make new friends; enjoy warm fellowship, fun, and HUGS! Join those who look forward to coming monthly! Dressy casual. $2 admission includes drinks. Optional: Bring your most bragged about homemade snacks. Expect to see many new faces each time! **7PM** Please come help us set up.

SAT 24 **WITHLACOOCHEE RIVER PARTY & CAMPOUT** 5PM Jimmy Adams' 300-acre retreat. Take Hwy 84 12 miles west of I-75; turn left at yellow blinking light; go 100 yards; turn sharply back to left; go 300 yards; turn right at PCS sign; follow signs 1 mile. You can come before 5PM to fish along the mile-long riverfront or enjoy walking on the roads through the beautiful woods and natural settings or to set up camp. At 7PM we'll have a wiener roast. Bring hot dogs and fixings, marshmallows, beverages, musical instruments for a campfire sing, lanterns, bug spray, stereo and music for possible dancing, and flashlights. Bring everything you'll need; nothing will be provided. There is a shack with electricity, toilets, water, and outside security lights and outlets. Call Idelle Dear if you can provide tent space or wish to share a tent. Camping is optional; come just for the evening if you like! Note: A policy set by single parents disallows consumption of alcoholic beverages in the presence of children under 18 at PCS parties.

SUN 25 **MAY NEWSLETTER ASSEMBLY** 2:30PM Library, 300 Woodrow Wilson Dr., Valdosta. Meeting Room. Help the Divorce Support Group volunteers put together your newsletter while you enjoy getting to know other singles! It's like a party!

MON 26 **WIDOWED SUPPORT GROUP** 7:30PM Library, 300 Woodrow Wilson Dr., Valdosta. Meeting Room. Make new friends who will understand your loss, support you in your healing, and encourage you in your transition to single life.

**MAY HIGHLIGHTS**

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| 1 | Multi-ethnic Singles Party |
| 8 | Spring Fling Dance |
| 15 | Jekyll Island: Beach & Homes Tour |
| 22 | Moonlight Covered Dish Cookout & Dance |
| 28 | 50-Plus Singles Dance Party |
| 29 | Trip: Florida Folk Festival |
| 31 | Volleyball & Croquet Party |

**JUNE HIGHLIGHTS**

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| 5 | Multi-ethnic Singles Party |
| 12 | Country Jukebox Dance |
| 19 | Providence Canyon State Park |
| 26 | Reed Bingham State Park Picnic |
| 25 | 50-Plus Singles Dance Party |

**OKEFENOKEE SWAMP CANOE TRIP** George Phillips will lead an overnight canoe trip in the near future. If you would like to go, call Idelle Dear by 4/18 so we can set a date and make the advance reservations that are required.

**CHURCH SINGLES ACTIVITIES: Valdosta Areawide Christian Singles** Covered dish supper and devotional program, Saturday, April 3, 7PM, Gateway Baptist Church, Hwy 94 west of I-75. Mildred Starling, 912-241-1263. **Moonlight Canoe Trip** Sponsored by Trinity Singles, Gainesville, Florida. Saturday, April 3. Paddle from the Canoe Outpost (Sante Fe in High Springs?) to Rum Island by moonlight, stopping at mid-point to enjoy the warmth and glowing fellowship around a blazing bonfire. Cost: $25/canoe with up to 3 persons/canoe. With your own canoe, $3 launch fee. Reservations: Carol Fabian 904-378-1030. **Baptist' Single Adult Get-a-Way Weekend** Labor Day Weekend 1993 at Ridgecrest Conference Center, NC. $83.50-$157 per person depending on accommodations and meal package. The weekend is filled with social, spiritual, educational, and musical programs. Cliff Jones 912-474-2052 or 912-926-5584.

**OTHER SINGLES ACTIVITIES: Country & Western Singles Convention** Hosted by 25 Upward Singles Club, Albany. April 16,17,18. Heritage House, 732 W. Oglethorpe Blvd. Friday: Country Western Dance, 8:30PM, live band, cash bar, $7.50. Saturday: 2PM-5PM, Poolside Social. 8:30PM, semi-formal dance, live band, cash bar, $7.50. Last year over 400, including many from Singles Association of Florida, attended. Several from Valdosta have expressed an interest in going. If you would like to carpool, call Retha Perry 912-263-7077.

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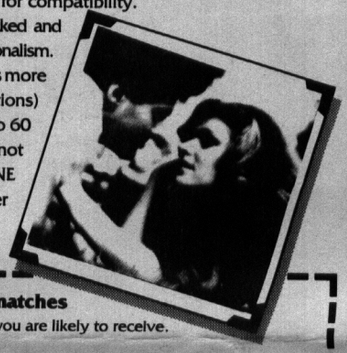

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**3. Address**_____ _____
*Number & Street* *City* *State* *Zip* *County Name*

**4. Phone Number (Include Area Code)**_____ **5. Sex**_____ **6. Date of Birth**_____

**7 Height**_____**ft.** ____**in. 8. Weight**_____**lbs. 9. Race** _____ **10. Religion (if any)**_____

**11. Ethnic or national background** (as Italian, Jewish, Irish, WASP, etc.) _____ **12. Where you grew up** _____

**13. CROSS OUT any you will NOT date** *A. Whites B. Blacks C. Orientals D. Other Asians E.Hispanics F. Middle Easterners G. Indians*

**14. Again, CROSS OUT any you will NOT date** *A. Catholics B. Protestants C. Jews D. Asian Religions E. Non-Practicing*

**15. Do you engage in religious worship** (circle one) *A. No B. Holidays Only C. Every Month D. Every Week E. Every Few Days F. Every Day*

**16. Are you** (circle one) *A. Never Married B. Divorced C. Widowed D. Legally separated* ***Married People -NOT accepted**

**17. Occupation** _____**18. Furthest education** _____ **Degrees** (if any)_____ Major _____

**19. Preferred age range of your introductions** *From* _____ *to* _____ **years of age. What is YOUR age?** _____

**20. Do you live** (circle one) *A. Alone B. With parents C. With roommates D. With children-Ages* _____ *E. Other* _____

**21. I only wish to date those LIVING WITH** (circle one or more) *A. No children B. 1-2 children C. 3 or more children D. No preference*

**22. Do you use** *A. Tobacco B. Alcohol-rarely C. Alc.-parties & clubs D. Alc.-more often E. Other(specify)*_____ *F. None*

**23. Major interests, pastimes, hobbies** _____

**24. Do you have use of a car** ____ **25. Farthest you prefer to travel for a date** ____ **miles 26. Comment?** _____

**27. Can SOME of your dates be** (answer yes or no for each) *A. Divorced* _____ *B. Separated* _____ *C. Overweight* _____

*(LADIES ANSWER) D. Men shorter than you* _____ *(MEN ANSWER) D. Ladies taller than you* _____ *E. Physically handicapped* _____

**28. I am applying to DATELINE for** (circle one) *A. 3 months ($27) B. 6 months ($43) C. 9 months ($59) D. 1 year ($68)*

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**29. Tell us more about YOURSELF. Be brief. Save comments on your dates for ques. #30.** *(use a separate piece of paper for both)*

**30. Tell us more about the types of people you would like to meet (or avoid meeting) through DATELINE**

**31. Do you wish to receive free single's literature?**(circle one) *A. Yes B. No*

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